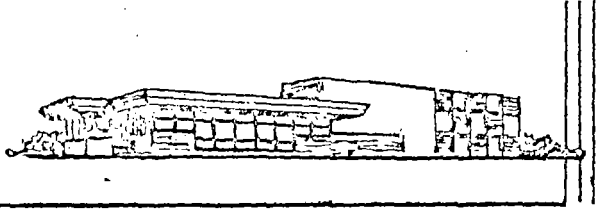


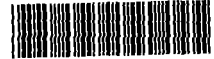
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Oral H. Hert, Technical Secretary
Stream Pollution Control Board
State of Indiana
1330 West Michigan Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46206

Re: Your letter of January 29, 1979
Renovation of Former McKinley-
Thompson Landfill at
3200 South Harding Street
Marion County

Dear Mr. Hert:

The original letter of approval for this project, dated December 7, 1977, clearly states that "sewage treatment plant sludge" is approved for disposal at the former McKinley Thompson landfill. This is the basis we have operated since we began receiving the material on December 13, 1977.

A composite sample had been thoroughly tested prior to any approval from your office. This sample was our original basis for our approval request and the basis for your approval letter on December 7, 1977.

We have been receiving this material since December, 1977. The material has been solid sludge and interface material, clay and sand, from the sides and bottoms of the lagoons. However, the Spring and Summer of 1978 was the wettest on record for the past 20 years. Much of the material was wet and sloppy at the time it was received at the site.

We have been able to stabilize this material to the point where we are operating bull dozers and trucks on top of it. We did this by applying large quantities of fly ash over the sludge material and working it into the material with our bulldozers.

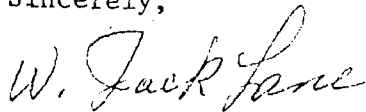
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All sludge taken from the lagoons was too heavy to be pumped into tanker trailers. We are controlling this material and stabilizing it in the same manner as the interface material.

When the contractor, Tousley-Bixler Construction Company, Inc. inspected lagoon 3 prior to starting the cleaning operation they brought up a crane with a 12,000 pound clam-bucket and dropped the bucket into the lagoon at various spots. The bucket would not penetrate more than 3 feet into the sludge. The top 3 feet of liquid sludge was pumped off then the more solid material was removed and hauled to our site. The heavy rain and snow during the past month has created some sloppiness in this material.

Lagoon 3 is approximately 65% complete. Lagoon 7, the only lagoon remaining to be cleaned, will have the liquid material pumped off before any material is removed to our site. The sludge removal project is now 90 to 95% complete. We trust that this letter clarifies any misunderstanding about material approved for our site and that we be allowed to complete the project as scheduled and approved.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "W. Jack Lane".

W. Jack Lane

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